



Holt Community Primary School

Newsletter Autumn 5

5th November 2020



Year 5 created some wonderful outdoor art in the wildlife area.



This week Year 2 have based their learning around a Halloween theme. They have been studying the human body and worked as a team of 'doctors' to put a skeleton together.

Dates for your diary

19th Dec - 3rd Jan - Christmas holidays
 13th Feb - 21st Feb - Half term
 27th Mar - 11th Apr - Easter

As we head into a second lockdown, I would like to reassure parents that we will continue to do our best to keep everyone as safe as possible. We are fortunate that the infection rate in North Norfolk remains low and continue to believe that school is the best place for the children. We have reviewed our procedures in light of further guidance from the Department for Education.

From Monday we ask all adults who enter the school grounds to wear a face covering. Children are not required to wear masks, and face coverings will not be required inside the classrooms. We will continue to stagger the start of the school day, but have reversed the order since half term.

2 nd November onwards	
Surnames M-Z	8.45- 8.55
Surnames A-L	8.55- 9.05

Please do not arrive before these times as we are trying to avoid groups of parents waiting in the playground or outside the gate. We were already limiting the number of visitors coming into school, but we will now be restricting this to essential visitors only. We will continue to open doors and windows in the classrooms to increase ventilation whenever possible, so please make sure that children wear warm clothing. We will also go outside as much as possible, so please ensure the children bring a coat everyday. At home time we ask parents to keep socially distanced when waiting in the playground and avoid gathering outside the gate.

We are aware that parking has become a real issue since parents are no longer able to use the car park at Budgens. We do not have any magic solutions to this problem, but must keep the safety of everyone as our priority. Valley Lane has become over crowded and we have had a problem with cars mounting the pavement outside the Junior entrance. I asked the local police for advice about how to improve the road safety around the school. They told me that they will undertake regular patrols around the school and asked the school to put cones on the road in front of the Junior entrance at pick up and drop off time. They also asked us to advise parents to avoid using cars to come to school whenever possible or to park well away from the school if they do use their cars. There does not seem to be any quick solutions to this problem, but I will ask the governors to discuss it at their next meeting.